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**LONG ISLAND MAN ARRESTED FOR ATTEMPTED ENTICEMENT OF A
MINOR AND DISTRIBUTION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY**

MICHAEL J. GARCIA, the United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, announced that CARL LIEDKE, of Seaford, Long Island, New York, was arrested last night on charges that he attempted to entice a minor to engage in sexual activity and distributed child pornography. He was presented today before United States Magistrate Judge MARK D. FOX in White Plains federal court, and was remanded to custody pending a detention hearing scheduled for May 12, 2008. According to the Complaint:

Beginning earlier this year LIEDKE made contact, via a chatroom called "I Love Older Men," with what he believed to be two different 15-year-old girls. The "girls" were actually an undercover detective with the Westchester County Police. LIEDKE engaged in a series of conversations, both electronically and by telephone, with the first "girl," during which he: 1) sent pictures of himself; 2) sent sexually explicit pictures of underage girls; and 3) discussed his desire to have sex with the "girl" at his home, at a hotel near her residence, on a boat or while traveling. LIEDKE sent the first "girl" more than 25 images containing child pornography. LIEDKE also had electronic discussions with the second "girl" about her coming to his residence for sex.

If convicted, LIEDKE faces a maximum sentence of life in prison and a mandatory minimum sentence of 10 years in prison on the attempted child enticement charge, and a maximum sentence of 20 years in prison and a mandatory minimum sentence of 5 years in prison on the child pornography charge.

Mr. GARCIA praised the efforts of the Westchester County Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Violent Crimes Task Force in connection with this investigation.

Assistant United States Attorney ANNA M. SKOTKO is in charge of the prosecution.

The charges contained in the Complaint are merely accusations, and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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